ALTHOUGH THEY WERE THE GREAT HEROES, ONCE THEY FOUND OUT ABOUT THE ORIGIN OF THEIR ABSOLUTE POWER AND GET TO KEEP IT THEMSELVES...

DUNKELHEIT
BETRAYED THE OTHERS
FOR THAT POWER,
AND HE TRIED TO
KEEP ALL THREE PRANAS
FOR HIMSELF.
AM I RIGHT?

NO. THE ONE WHO BETRAYED FIRST WAS
MY MASTER, GUARDIAN.

ALTHOUGH HE DIDN'T SHOW THEM, BUT HIS TRUE INTENTIONS WERE TO REFORM THE HERO SOCIETY FROM THE BOTTOM UP.

FOR MANY YEARS...

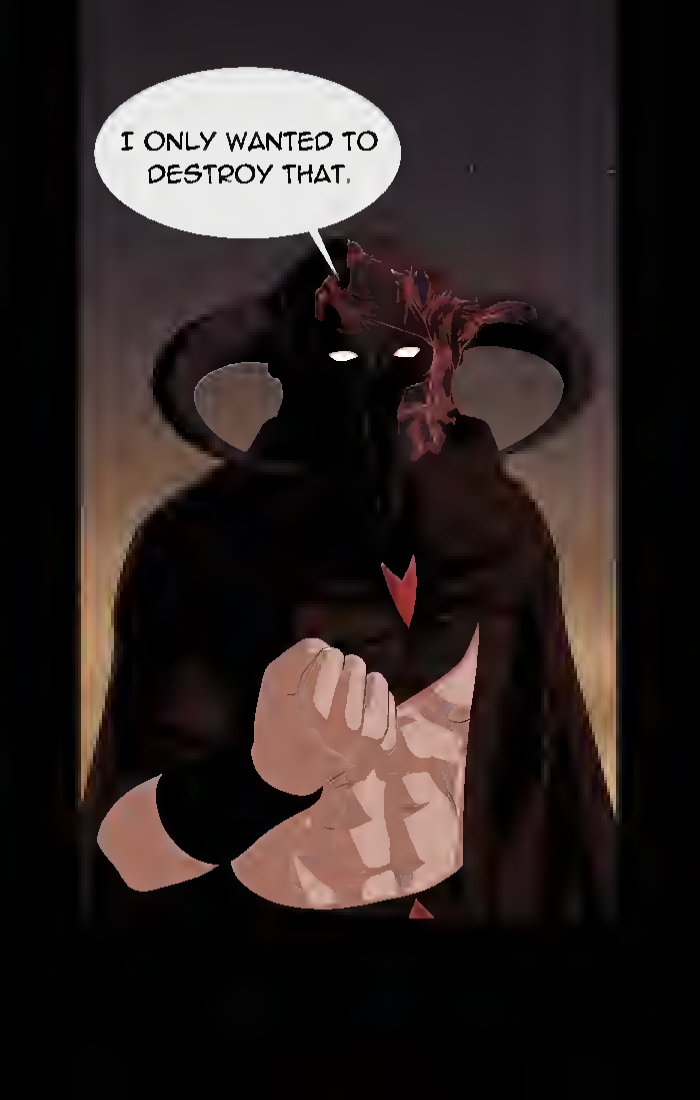
HEROES HAVE BEEN WILDLY SWINGING AROUND THEIR POWERS.
CRACK
THE LAWS PUT IN PLACE BY THE COMMITTEE WERE WHAT THEY CALL JUSTICE, AND ANYONE WHO DARED TO DEFY THEM WERE LABELED AS VILLAINS.

BABIES BORN WITH CONGENITAL SUPER POWERS WERE ORDERED TO ENTER THE JUSTICE COLLEGE WHETHER THEY WANTED TO OR NOT.
NO MATTER WHAT THEY WANTED TO DO WITH THEIR LIVES, THEIR LIVES WERE ALREADY PLANNED FOR THEM.

THE OBJECTIVE WAS TO BECOME A HERO AND IN ORDER TO BECOME ONE, WE HAD TO BECOME SIDEKICKS AND THOSE WHO FAIL TO DO SO...

WERE SENT TO
THE UNDERCORE TO LIVE
OUT THE REST OF THEIR LIVES
WITHOUT ANY CHOICE. AND OF
COURSE, ANYONE WHO DEFIED
THIS WAY OF LIFE WAS ALSO
LABELED AS A VILLAIN.

THEY STATED THAT THE SYSTEM WAS ONLY A PLACE TO ENSURE OUR SAFETY, BUT...
THE TRUTH IS THAT THEY ONLY WANTED TO CONTROL THE HEROES. THAT IS HOW SUPERBLIC CAME TO BE.


I ONLY WANTED TO DESTROY THAT.

EVENTUALLY, GUARDIAN MANAGED TO FIND
THE FIRST PRANA THAT THE CHAIRMAN
HID IN THE BASEMENT OF THIS BUILDING.

ONLY WHEN YOU HAVE ALL THREE PRANAS, CAN YOU SAFELY CONTROL THE POWERS AND ALSO UNLEASH THE FULL POWERS HIDDEN WITHIN.
YOU COULD EITHER REMOVE ALL THE SUPER POWERS IN THIS WORLD, OR

MAYBE HE WANTED TO GIVE OUT
SUPER POWERS TO EVERYONE IN THE WORLD AND MADE EVERYONE EQUAL...

LIKE THE ONE WHO GAVE FIRE TO PEOPLE...

LIKE PROMETHEUS.

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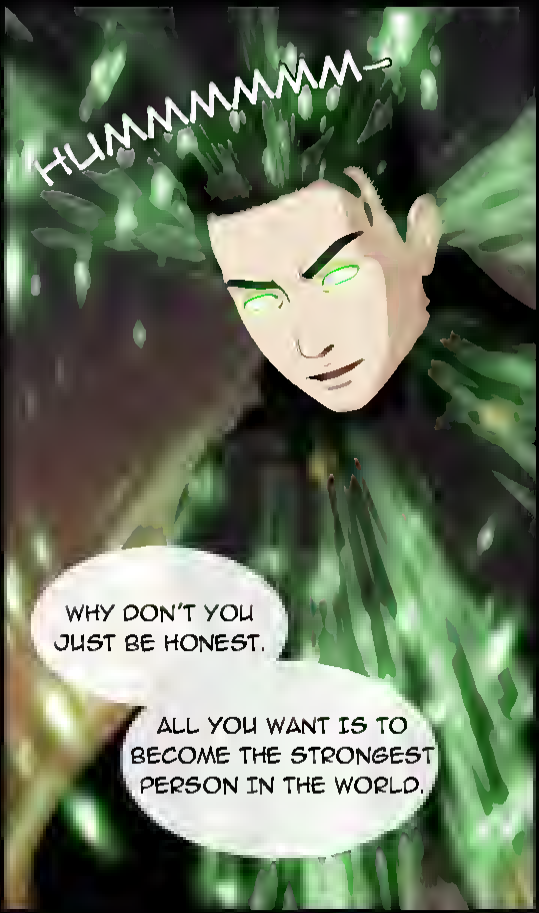
HOOT-

PUHAHAHAHA!!
I'VE BEEN SITTING QUIET FOR NOW.
BUT I CAN'T LISTEN TO THIS CRAP ANY LONGER!

ARROGANT FOOL!!
SWOOP

THUD
SO, THAT'S HOW YOU LURED THE OTHER VILLAINS, HUH? SAYING SOME CRAP LIKE THAT

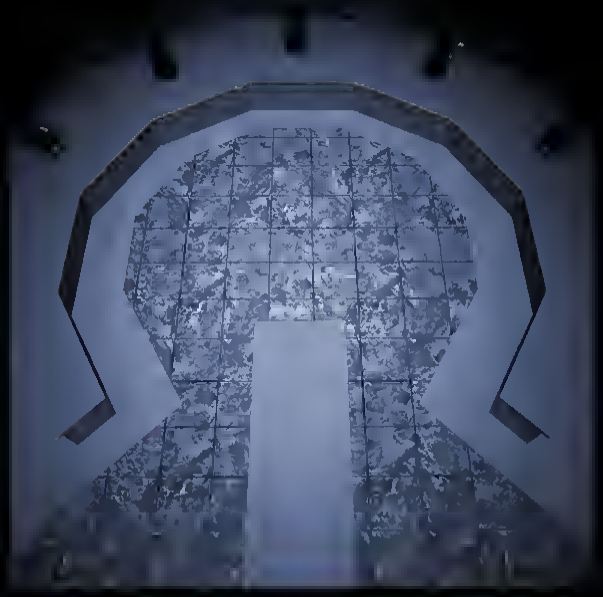
OR DID YOU EVEN
STEAL THEIR THOUGHTS
AND RATIONALIZE
YOURSELF?
CRASH


HUMMMMMMM—
WHY DON'T YOU JUST BE HONEST.
ALL YOU WANT IS TO BECOME THE STRONGEST PERSON IN THE WORLD.

KA BOOM

ZOOM_

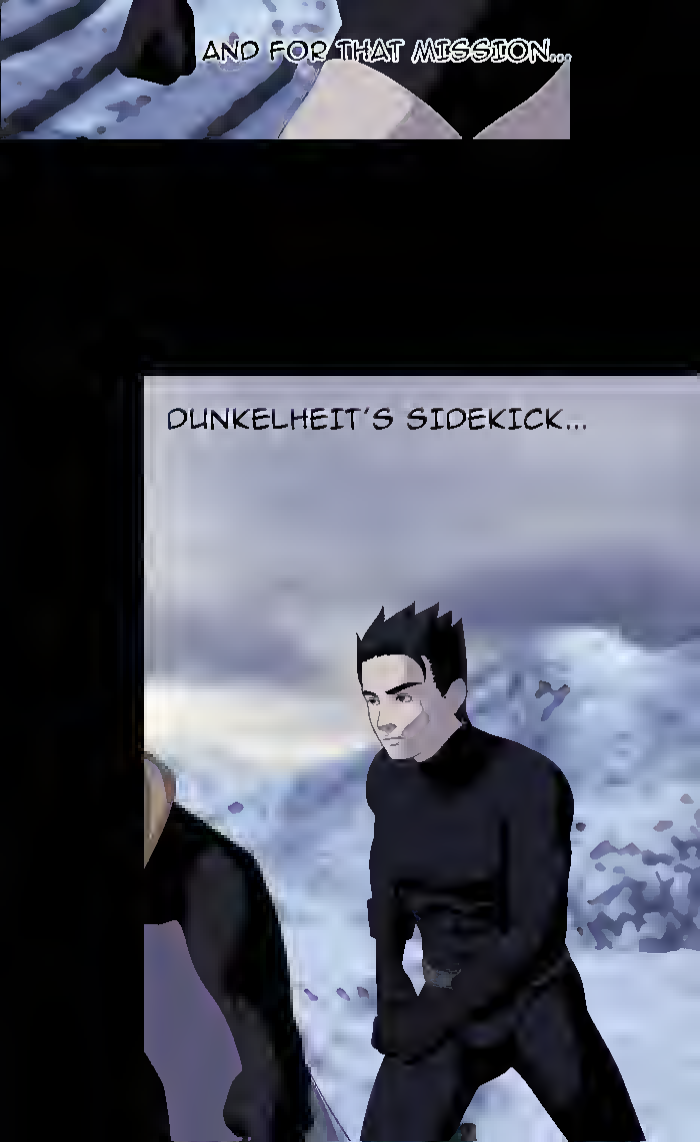
THE GUARDIAN INCIDENT WAS
SO SHOCKING TO EVERYONE THAT
THE COMMITTEE TRIED TO SUPPRESS IT.



AND THEY TOLD EVERYONE THAT GUARDIAN
WAS ATTACKED BY UNIDENTIFIED VILLAINS.

HE WAS SURPRISE ATTACKED BY A GROUP OF UNIDENTIFIED VILLAINS SO HE'S NOW...
MY MASTER?
DAD?!

BUT IN REALITY, DUNKELHEIT WAS GIVEN SECRET ORDERS TO PURSUE GUARDIAN.


AND FOR THAT MISSION...
DUNKELHEIT'S SIDEKICK...

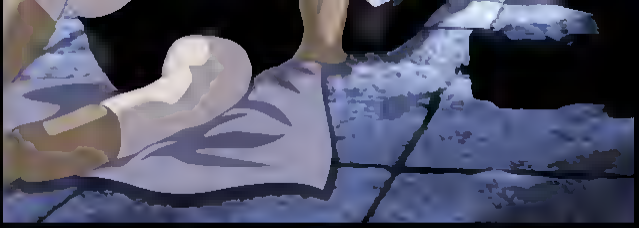
DARKSLUG WAS ALSO APPOINTED TO HELP HIM.
DUNKELHEIT. JUST GIVE ME THE THIRD PRANA, THEN WE WILL BE ABLE TO CHANGE THIS WORLD.

DON'T BE STUPID.
EVERYONE HAVING THE SUPER POWERS WON'T MAKE A FAIR WORLD.

IT WAS KNOWN THAT THE ONLY ONE WHO STOOD A CHANCE WITH GUARDIAN WAS DUNKELHEIT, BUT
ONCE THEY GOT INTO A FIGHT, THINGS DIDN'T TURN OUT AS EXPECTED

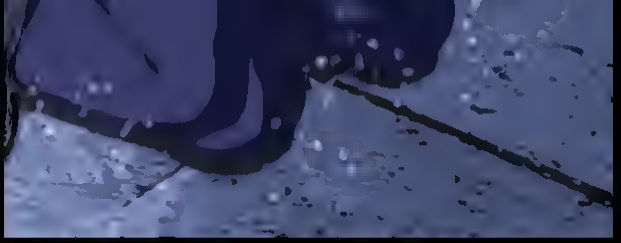
GUARDIAN WAS OVERWHELMING.
BUT DUNKELHEIT HAD

DARKSLUG WITH HIM.

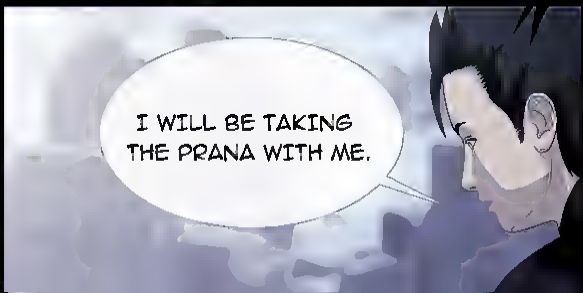


THE SIDEKICK WHOSE POWER WAS ALREADY BEYOND THAT OF A HERO.

DARKSLUG WAS...



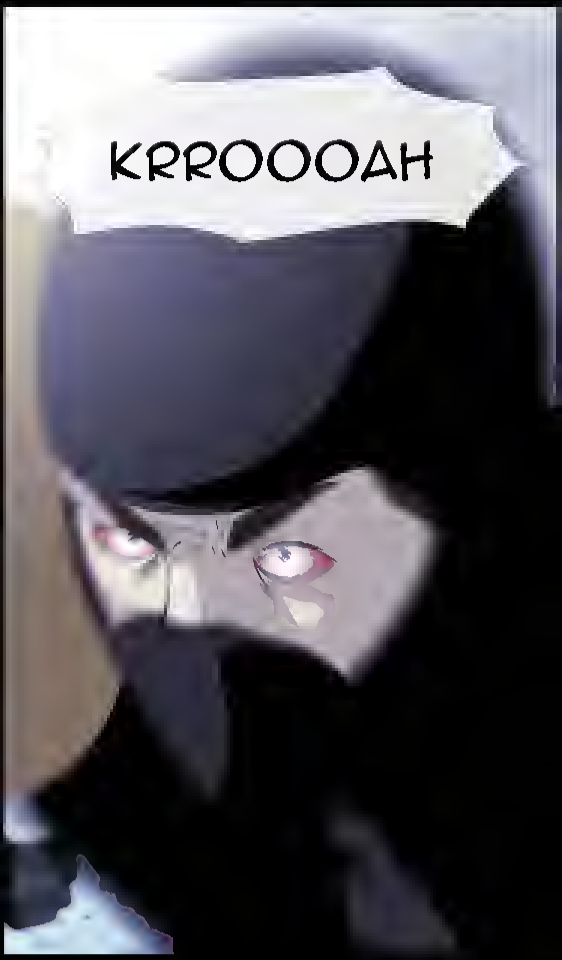
STRONG ENOUGH TO [illegible] EVEN GUARDIAN ON HIS KNEES.



GRAB
COUGH

ZOOOM-

BUT AT THAT MOMENT
UGH
CRACK
DUNKELHEIT SHOWED HIS TRUE INTENTIONS.


KRROOOAH

ARRGH
CRACK

SO HE WAS AFTER THE PRANA FROM THE VERY BEGINNING.
AS I TOLD YOU BEFORE, DUNKELHEIT WAS OBSESSED WITH A GREATER POWER.

HE WAS PROBABLY FEELING INFERIOR
TO NOT ONLY GUARDIAN BUT ALSO
HIS SUPERIOR WHO WAS
YOUNG AND STRONG.

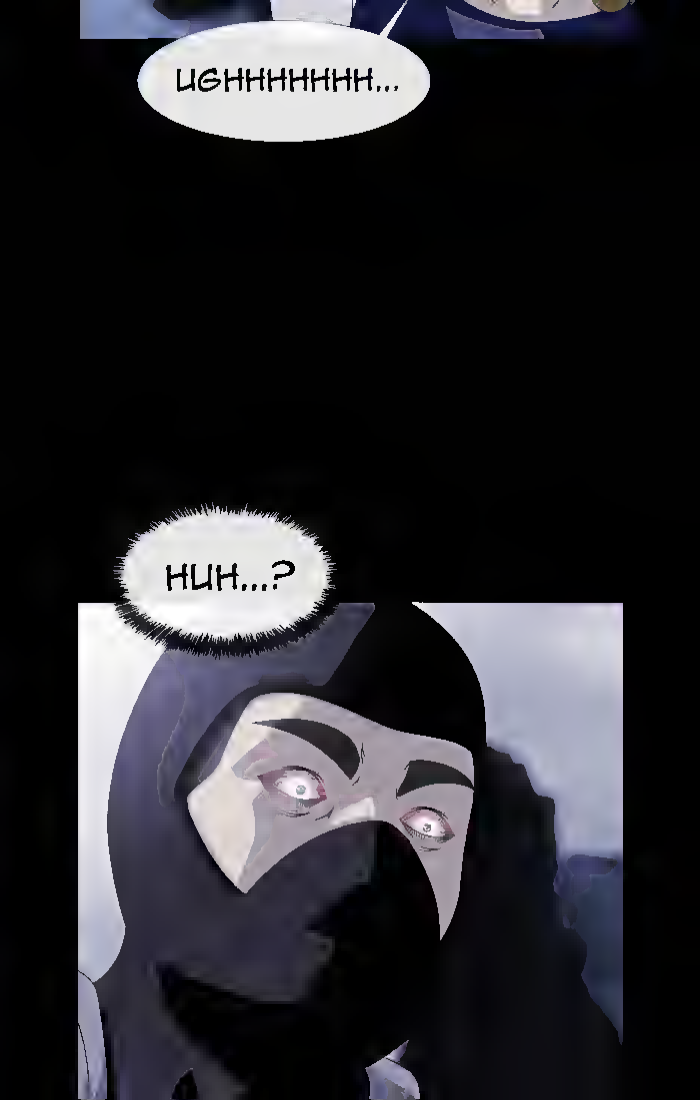
I WILL SPARE YOUR LIFE FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE FOR ME UP TO THIS POINT.
FLOP

DARKSLUG COULD NOT HAVE DONE
ANYTHING WHEN HE WAS ATTACKED
FROM THE BACK SUDDENLY
BY HIS MASTER WHOM
HE RESPECTED.

FINALLY...
FINALLY
I'M GAINING THE ROOT OF THE SUPER POWERS IN MY HANDS. HAHA

THERE WILL NEVER BE A STRONGER SUPERBLIC THAN ME.

WHOOOM–


UGHHHHHHH...
HUH...?

THE PRANA ISN'T COMING OUT?
WHY...??

I'M SURE THAT GUARDIAN HAS THE FIRST AND SECOND WITH HIM. WHAT'S GOING ON?!!!

GRAB

THE PRANA...
WHERE IS IT!

NO ONE SHOULD HAVE ALL THE PRANA... EVER... NOT FOR THEIR PERSONAL USE... NEV...NEVER...

SHUT UP!!
WHERE THE HELL IS THE PRANA!!

NE...NEVER
ACKKK!
SPOUT

SHUT UP
AND GIVE IT TO ME.

GIVE IT
TO ME!!!

THAT WAS PROBABLY
THE POWER OF THE THIRD PRANA
THAT DUNKELHEIT HAD.

IN ORDER TO RETRIEVE THE PRANA THAT DUNKELHEIT BELIEVED TO BE WITHIN GUARDIAN'S BODY,
SHOOOOOOOSH-

BLINK BEAT... STOLE EVERYTHING
THAT GUARDIAN HAD.

EVEN HIS BODY.

BUT THE PRANA THAT HE'S AFTER NOW...

NO,
IT'S NOT HERE!!!!
H...HOW
COME?

I THINK THAT GUARDIAN KNEW THAT SOMETHING LIKE THAT MIGHT HAPPEN AND HID THE PRANA SOMEWHERE ELSE BEFOREHAND.
IT WAS ALL WRITTEN OFF AS A TRAGIC ACCIDENT SO I COULDN'T THINK MUCH

AFTER THINKING ABOUT IT LATER, I REALIZED THAT IF HE WOULD HAVE HIDDEN THE PRANA,
IT COULD BE INSIDE OF HIS SON, THEO.

BUT THEO WAS
ALREADY MISSING.

WHY DON'T YOU
STOP TELLING THOSE
STUPID LIES.

SHOOOO-
TAP

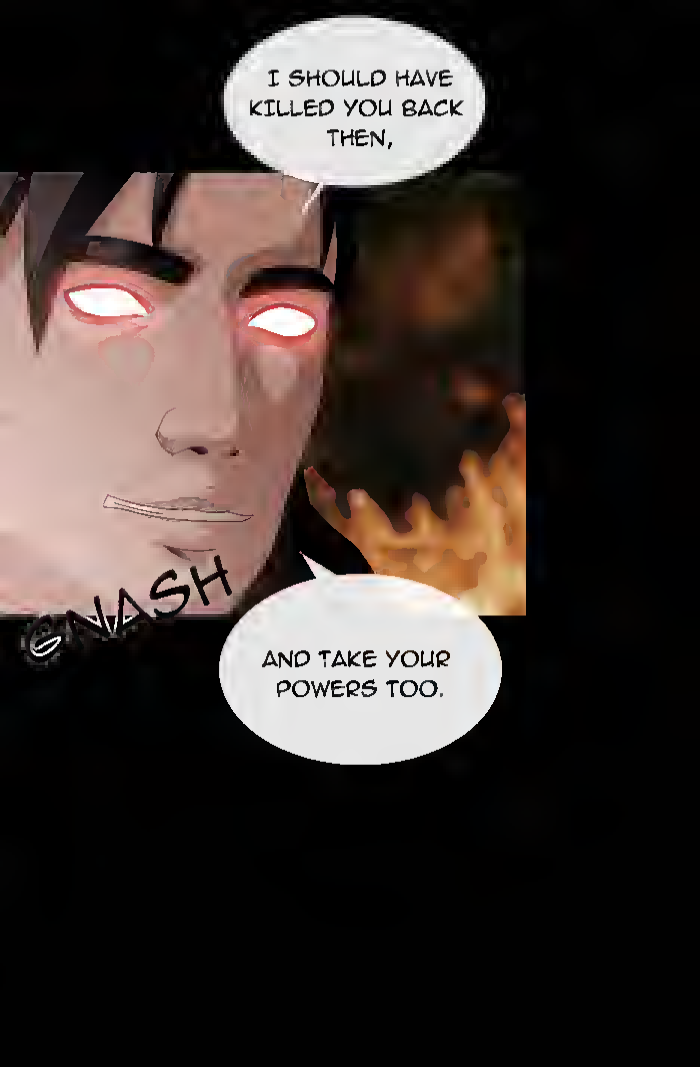
CRACK

YOU ARE

NOT GUARDIAN,

DUNKELHEIT.

MY...
MASTER.


I SHOULD HAVE KILLED YOU BACK THEN,
SMASH
AND TAKE YOUR POWERS TOO.

AFTER THAT DAY
TAP
I LOOKED FOR THEO FOR A VERY LONG TIME.

BUT THAT KID DROPPED OUT OF COLLEGE ON HIS OWN.
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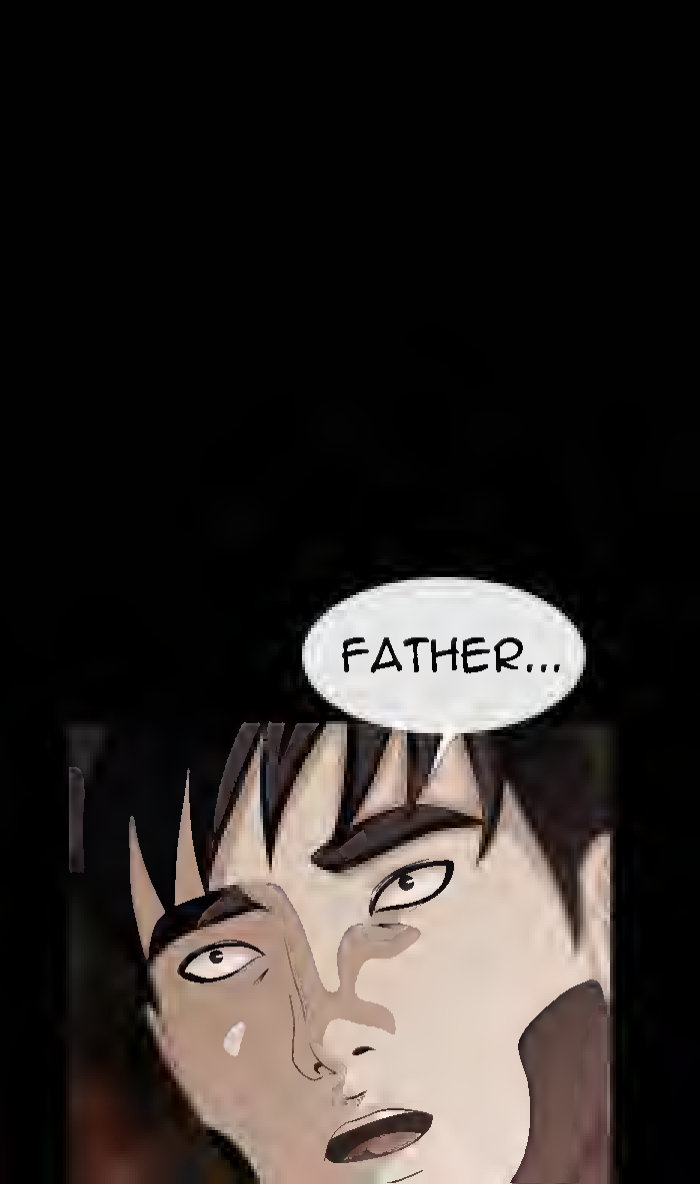
TO FIND THE ONE WHO KILLED HIS FATHER
FA...
AND GET HIS REVENGE.


FATHER...

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